

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: GAPLAST GmbHApplication No./Patent No.: 10/501,204

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Entitled: Valve For The Application Of DropsGAPLAST GmbHa German corporation

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- A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

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[NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.8]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

X 30.08.2004
Date

Telephone number

X ROLAND KNEER
Typed or printed name
X [Signature]
Signature

X _____
Title

ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

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WHEREAS, Claus-H. BACKES of St. Wendeler Strasse 45, Saarbruecken, 66113 Germany, hereinafter referred to as "Assignor," is the inventor of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: VALVE FOR THE APPLICATION OF DROPS

Int'l Filing Date: January 8, 2003

Int'l Application No.: PCT/EP03/00111

U.S. Application No.: 10/501,204 ; and

WHEREAS, GAPLAST GmbH of Wurmannsauerstrasse 22, Altenau, Germany, 82442, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNOR'S interest in the said invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, and Assignee's successors and assigns, all their right, title and interest in and to said invention and application, and in and to any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said Assignor had this Assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

Assignor further agrees that Assignor will, without charge to said Assignee, but at Assignee's expense, cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof, and will perform such other acts as Assignee lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention and improvement, and to vest title thereto in said Assignee, or Assignee's successors and assigns.

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, Two Embarcadero Center, Eighth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3834, to insert herein above the application number and filing date of said application when known.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has signed his/her name on the date indicated.

Dated: 08-18-04

X Claus-H. BACKES



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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/09/2004
- English Translation of the IA filed on 07/09/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/09/2004
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 07/09/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/09/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/09/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 07/09/2004

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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